

FRANCISCO J TORRES,
Plaintiff,
v.
WALMART STORES, INC.
Defendant.

Case No. 15-cv-02722-BLF

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA
SAN JOSE DIVISION**

**ORDER DENYING DEFENDANT'S
MOTION FOR PERMISSION TO
APPEAR TELEPHONICALLY AT THE
NOVEMBER 12, 2015 MOTION TO
DISMISS AND MOTION FOR
SANCTIONS HEARING**

[Re: ECF 21]

Before the Court is a request by counsel for Defendant to appear by telephone at the hearing on Defendant's motion to dismiss and Plaintiff's motion for sanctions scheduled for November 12, 2015 at 9:00 a.m. Counsel fails to provide any affidavit or other explanation regarding the burden of appearing in person beyond simply stating that they are located in Los Angeles, California, may be unable to appear in person for work-related scheduling reasons, and a telephonic appearance will save fees and costs. Accordingly, the Court finds Defendant has not articulated a sufficient basis and DENIES the request.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Dated: October 29, 2015

Beth Labson Freeman
BETH LABSON FREEMAN
United States District Judge